

• **PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD**
Effective October 1, 2003

Application or Docket Number

10706945

CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

TOTAL CLAIMS	11	
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS	11 minus 20 =	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1 minus 3 =	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		<input type="checkbox"/>

• If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEES	RATE	FEES
BASIC FEE	385.00	OR BASIC FEE	770.00
XS 9=		OR XS18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL		OR TOTAL	770

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	9	Minus	20	=
Independent	1	Minus	3	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		<input type="checkbox"/>		

SMALL ENTITY OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
XS 9=		OR XS18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	9	Minus	20	=
Independent	1	Minus	3	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		<input type="checkbox"/>		

SMALL ENTITY OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
XS 9=		OR XS18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total	1	Minus	0	=
Independent	1	Minus	0	=
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM		<input type="checkbox"/>		

SMALL ENTITY OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
XS 9=		OR XS18=	
X43=		OR X86=	
+145=		OR +290=	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR TOTAL ADDIT. FEE	

- If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."
- If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

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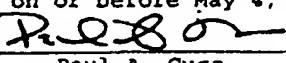
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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated January 4, 2005, the following amendments and remarks are submitted.

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01 FC:1251 Amendments to the claims appear on pages 2 to 5 of this
120.00 DA paper, with the applicant's remarks commencing on page 6.